Citizens may comment on a permit for the withdrawal of ground water in New Kent County, Virginia

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: November 2, 2006 to December 4, 2006

PERMIT NAME: Ground Water Withdrawal Permit

Any person or facility that proposes to withdraw 300,000 gallons per month or more in a ground water management area may have to submit a permit application to the Department of Environmental Quality, which is under the authority delegated by the State Water Control Board. PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To invite the public to comment on the draft permit. APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: New Kent County, P.O. Box 50, New Kent, VA 23124; GW0005900

NAME AND LOCATION OF WATER WITHDRAWAL: Kenwood/Greenwood Subdivision Water System. It consists of three wells located on Shewsbury drive, on Tunstall Road and on Greenwood Boulevard off of Route 612 (Tunstall Road), just north of its intersection with Route 249/33 in the northwestern part of part of New Kent County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: New Kent County has applied for a new permit for an existing public water supply in New Kent County, Virginia. The permit would allow the applicant to withdraw an average of 72,080 gallons per day. The ground water withdrawal will support a public water supply for the Kenwood/Greenwood Subdivision. The proposed withdrawal will utilize the Middle Potomac Aquifer at a depth between 340 feet to 520 feet below the land surface at the withdrawal site. An aquifer is a body of rock or layer of sediment in the ground in which ground water is stored and transported. DEQ has made a tentative decision to issue the permit.

HOW A DECISION IS MADE: After public comments have been considered and addressed by the permit or other means, DEQ will decide whether to issue the permit or to conduct a public hearing. DEQ may hold a public hearing, including another comment period, if public response is significant and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the proposed permit. If there is a public hearing, the State Water Control Board will make the final decision.

HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts comments by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must be in writing; contain a brief statement on how the proposal affects the person commenting, other users or the aquifer; and be received by DEQ during the comment period. The public also may request a public hearing. If a public hearing is requested, the written comments should also include the reason for holding a hearing and related factual concerns.

TO REVIEW THE DRAFT PERMIT AND APPLICATION: The public may review the documents at the DEQ <u>Piedmont Regional Office</u> every work day by appointment.

CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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Please publish the attached legal notice in your paper's classified advertisement section on **November 2, 2006**. Upon completion of the advertising, please send proof of publication to my attention at the above letter head address and send a bill for your services to Mr. L. Alan Harrison, Director of Public Utilities, at the address shown on the attached authorization form.

Should you have any questions, please call me at (804) 527-5054. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

B. N. Sinha, Ph.D. Geologist Supervisor

Enclosures

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